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MINUTES OF THE

CHOCTAW COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

ACKERMAN BAPTIST CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 29--30, A. D. 1921.

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TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

Concord Church, Five Miles South OF Ackerman, Thursday before the First Sabbath in October, 1922.

The Choctaw County Baptist Sunday School Convention Will Meet With Mt. Pisgah Church, Eight Miles South Of Eupora, First Sabbath In May, 1922.

The Sunday School Normal Will Be Held At Clear Springs, Second Week In August, 1922

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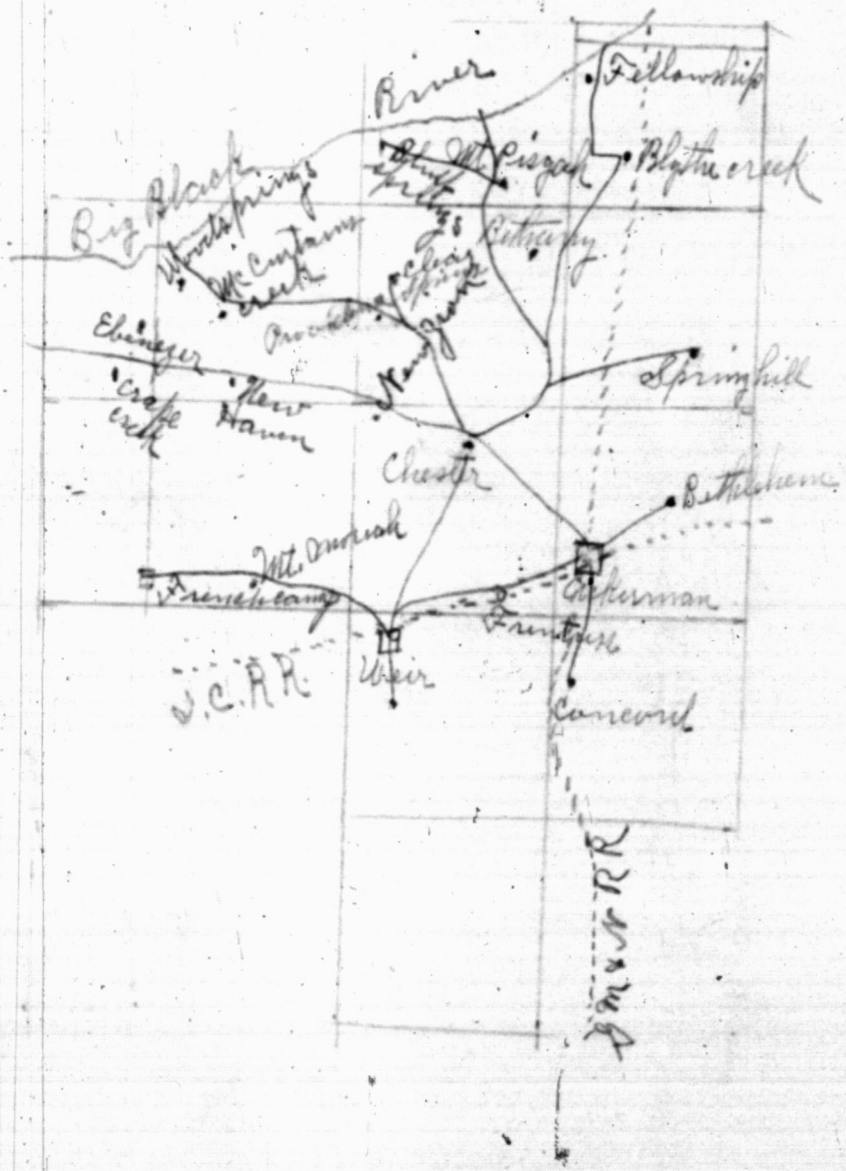

MINUTES

OF THE

FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

CHOCTAW COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

OFFICERS.

H. M. Whitten, Moderator, - - - - - Weir, Miss.
G. D. Weatherall, Clerk, - - - - Ackerman, Miss.

DELEGATE TO SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

Miss. Sarah Whitten

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

G. A. Eddleman
J. J. Carter
H. L Rhodes
Curtis Bobo
W. L. Edwards.

MEMBER OF STATE BOARD

G. D. Weatherall, - - - - - - - Ackerman, Miss.

ASSOCIATIONAL SUPT. OF W. M. U.

Mrs. H. L. Rhodes. - - - - - - - - Ackerman, Miss.

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1894	Bear Creek	H. M. Long	N. Q. Adams	J. R. W. Foster.
1895	Bethlehem	W. H. H. Fancher	N. Q. Adams	J. R. W. Foster.
1896	Providence	Chas. H. Lewis	N. Q Adams	J. R. W. Foster.
1897	Pleasant Ridge	David Burney	W. H. H. Fancher	J. R. W. Foster.
1898	Bluff Springs	G. S. Jenkins	W. H. H. Fancher	S. B. Dobbs.
1899	Mount Pisgah	M. L. Oswalt	W. H. H. Fancher	S. B. Dobbs.
1900	Beulah	N. Q. Adams	W. H. H. Fancher	S. B. Dobbs.
1901	Ackerman	T. J Bailey	W. H. H. Fancher	S. B. Dobbs.
1902	Poplar Creek	T. J. Bailey	W. H. H. Fancher	S. B. Dobbs.
1903	Spring Hill	W. H. H. Fancher	W H H. Fancher	S. B. Dobbs.
1904	Clear Springs	N. Q Adams	W. H. H. Fancher	S. B. Dobbs.
1905	Self Creek	J K. Thornton	N. Q Adams	S. B. Dobbs.
1906	Ebenezer	R. A. Eddleman	N. Q. Adams	S. B. Dobbs.
1907	Blythe's Creek	H. L. Rhodes	N. Q. Adams	S. B Dobbs.
19 8	Mount Moriah	J. R Nutt	S. B. Dobbs	G. D. Weatherall.
1909	Longview	F. R. Burney	S. B. Dobbs	G. D. Weatherall.
1910	Bear Creek	J. B. Perry	S B. Dobbs	G. D. Weatherall.
1911	Double Springs	R. L. Wallace	S. B. Dobbs	G D. Weatherall.
1912	Providence	A. H. Mahaffey	S. B. Dobbs	G D. Weatherall.
1913	Wake Forest	H. M. Whitten	S. B. Dobbs	G. D. Weatherall.
1914	New Zion	M. J. Derrick	N. B. Wallace	G. D. Weatherall.
191	Fellowship	T. J. Latimer	N. B. Wallace	G. D. Weatherall.
1916	Clear Springs	N. B. Wallace	N. B. Wallace	G. D. Weatherall.
1917	Bethlehem	P. S. Rogers	H. M. Whitten	G. D. Weatherall.
1918	New Haven	O. C. Cooper	H. M. Whitten	G. D. Weatherall.

PROCEEDINGS

The Choctaw County Baptist Association met in its first annual session with the Ackerman Baptist Church September 29th & 30th A. D. 1921, at 10 o'clock, the congregation came to order by singing 'Come Thou Fount" after which was led in prayer by S. M. Fant.

The moderator read Psalms the 24th chapter and was led in prayer by R. A. Collier.

On motion of S. M Fant; H. M. Whitten and G. D. Weatherall were re-elected moderator and clerk.

Called for correspondents, Oktibbeha County Association, R. A. Collier, Louisville Association, R. G. Hunt, Kosciusko Association, M. A. Carr and M. U. Rhodes, Zion Association, B. F. McPhail, Webster County Association, T. J. Smith, W. M. U. Miss Fannie Traylor. The moderator was glad to recognize H. T. McLaurin district man, and Rev L. E. Lightsey, the paper and book man. These men added much to the enjoyment and success of our meeting.

Returned correspondents, Oktibbeha County Association, S. M. Fant, H. M. Whitten and D. L. Humphres, Kosciusko Association, H. M. Whitten and G. A. Eddleman, State Convention, H. L. Rhodes, G. A. Eddleman, H. M. Whitten, G. D. Weatherall, D. L. Humphres and P. S. Rogers.

The moderator appointed the following committees:

Finance - G. A. Eddleman, Sam Prewitt, and D. L. Humphres.

Devotional—Henry Prewitt, N. A. Adams, Pastors and Deacons of this church.

Bro. H. L. Rhodes was appointed to write up the association for the Baptist Record.

The treasurer made the following report. (See report)

H. L. Rhodes and Miss Thelma Weeks were appointed on enrollment.

C. A. Franks made the following report on the Orphanage (see report) and after being discussed by him, G. A. Eddleman, B. F. McPhail and H. T. McLaurin was adopted.

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The eleven o'clock hour having arrived Rev. H. T. McLaurin preached the introductory sermon from Deut. 1-1, Matt 28, 18 to 20, and Acts 17th chapter. Rev. T. J. Smith led in prayer.

At the close of the great message the association was led in prayer by H. M. Whitten.

G. L Keen made the report on digest of church letters and the report was adopted. (See statistical tables)

On motion and second the association adjourned until one thirty o'clock P. M.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The congregation came together by singing, "Blessed Be The Name Of The Lord", and was led in prayer by Atley Booth and another song was sung and was led in prayer by Henry Prewitt.

Report of the delegate to the S. B Convention is as follows. (See Report)

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

This report was discussed by H L. Rhodes, H. T. McLaurin, R B. Gunter, and P. S. Rogers and adopted. (See Report)

Concord church was received into this association upon a petitionary letter.

The moderator appointed the following committee on nomination:

C. B. Quinn, N. A. Adams, and W. P McKnight.

Committee on Constitution and By Laws made their report; and after a motion to consider by section was lost, it was adopted as a whole. (See Constitution and By Laws.)

REPORT ON HOSPITALS

This report read by J. N. Franks and after being discussed by him, H T. McLaurin. T. J. Smith and R B. Gunter was adopted (See Report)

REPORT ON MISSIONS.

This report was discussed by R. B. Gunter, and then the Devotional Committee reported that Bro. L. E. Lightsey preach at the church at night. The association then abjourned until seven thirty o'clock P. M.

At the evening service, Rev. Lightsey preached a very impressive sermon on Faith and Works, from the text "Go Forward."

FRIDAY MORNING.

Bro S. M. Fant conducted devotional service, and after several songs and prayers, the association took up the report on missions, and after being discussed by P. S. Rogers, S. M. Fant, L. E. Lightsey, Stanley Garrett, J. J. Carter, and B. C. McGarrity was adopted (See Mission Report.)

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

This report was discussed by J. J. Carter, H. L. Rhodes, L. E. Lightsey, and Atley Booth, and adopted. (See report on Christian Education.

REPORT ON PUBLICATIONS.

This report was discussed by B. C. McGarrity, and L. E. Lightsey, and adopted. (See Report on Publications.)

On motion and second, the association adjourned until two o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

After a song and prayer service, the report on Temperance was read and discussed by S. M. Fant, L. E. Lightsey, P. S Rogers, and J. J. Carter, and adopted. (See Report on Temperance.)

REPORT ON WOMANS WORK.

This report was read and explained by Sister Rhodes. P. S. Rogers made a very interesting talk on the report, and it was adopted. (See Report on Womans Work.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

This report was discussed by S. M. Fant, J. J. Carter, and P. S. Rogers, and adopted. (See Report on Ministerial Relief.)

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS.

A motion was made to amend the report, by inserting Chester instead of Concord, and another motion to amend, by inserting Bulah, were both lost, and the report was adopted as read. (See Report on Nominations.)

The FINANCE COMMITTEE made their report. (See report.)

H. L. Rhodes made motion in regard to minutes and pay of clerk. (See motion in regard to minutes and pay of clerk.)

On motion, the moderator, clerk, and Rev. P. S. Rogers act as program committee.

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted. (See Resolutions of Thanks.)

The Association then adjourned to meet with Concord Church, Thursday before the 1st Sabbath in October,, A D. 1922.

H. M. Whitten, Moderator.
G. W. Weatherall, Clerk.

TREASURERS REPORT.

To The Choctaw County Baptist Association.

Denominational Objects.

Received from finance committee &	$7.00
Paid J. B. Lawrence	7.00

Associational Purposes.

Balance on hand	$10.40
Received from finance committee	88.09
Total Received	$98 49

Disbursments.

Minutes	$64.65
Postage on minutes	2.34
Postage on blank letters	.24
C. A. Franks, delegate to S. B. C.	16 50
Clerk and Treasurer	14 76
Total paid out	$98.49

Respectfully,
G. D. Weatherall, clerk and treasurer.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

We rejoice in the good report from our orphanage at Jackson, Miss. It is now in its 25th year and has cared for, during this time, about one thousand children, many of whom have grown into manhood and womanhood and are now filling places of usefulness in homes of their own, many of them, in offices, hospitals, machine shops, on the farm, and

in almost all the vocations of life.

We learn from our superintendent that the health of the children is fine. They have not had a death from sickness in four years and are caring for an average of 150 children all the while. These children are gathered up here and there from the most hopeless and unpromising surroundings and doctored up and fed up and trained up into useful men and women.

The boys are trained in agriculture, stock raising, dairying, truck growing, carpentry, and machinery. The girls are trained in the art of cooking, sewing, washing, ironing, fancy work, and general house keeping.

All the children of the orphanage have the advantage of a good school for eight months in the year under efficient teachers and attend Sunday School and preaching every Sunday and those who are christians are trained in christian work in their own senior and junior B. Y. P. U 's and altogether our children at the orphanage are being splendidly fitted for useful christian citizenship.

We commend our orphanage and its splendid work to the hearts and benevolence of all our people and urge that during the month of November our people send to the orphanage from our farms and stores: corn, peas, molasses, canned goods of all kinds, clothing, stationary, pencils, tablets, pins, needles, combs, soap, towels, sheets, pillow cases, and anything that is needed in the ordinary home.

We learn also from our superintendent that our orphanage is in good financial condition, and our children will continue to be amply provided for if our people will pay up their pledges to the 75 Million Campaign, but will suffer in proportion as we fail.

We urge, most strongly, that our people make it a point to pay their pledge to the campaign and let the orphanage and all the work of the kingdom go forward to the good of humanity and the glory of our Master.

Respectfully submitted,
C. A. Franks.

REPORT OF THE MESSENGERS TO THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

Your messenger beg leave to make the following report:

CHOCTAW COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

I thank the brethren of this association for the honor conferred upon me as your messenger to the great Southern Baptist Convention.

I shall always be thankful.

Respectfully,

C. A. Franks.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

The Sunday School is now one of the most popular departments of every well organized church. Every pastor recognizes the worth of a Sunday School, and when once tried will not allow his church to be without one. Think, if you can conceive of such a thing, of a church that is doing anything noticeable for the advancement of the kingdom that has no Sunday School. It would be an absurd thought. No church can do successfully what the Lord said it should do with out a Sunday School. Yet a great many of our churches throughout the country are attempting to carry out the preaching part of the command and are ignoring the teaching part.

We are convinced that this state of condition is caused by the fact that no one in the church feels that he is competent to lead in this great teaching movement rather than that of indifference. There are a few men and women in each church who will admit that the church needs a Sunday School, but they shrink from the thought of attempting to organize and run one.

To meet this need the State Board has a force of instructors in the field who are holding Normal Institutes in every County in the State and will hold one in any church that wants it. There was one held at Weir the third week in August. Three books of the Normal course were taught. There were thirty odd people attended. Some received their Diplomas for finishing the first book while others received seals for their Diplomas previously received. These Normals will continue to be held from time to time and ought to be attended by all those who feel the need of better preperation.

Pursuant to the instructions of this Association at its last session a County Baptist Sunday School Convention at New Zion church the first Sunday in July of this year. There were about fifteen Sunday Schools represented. A splendid program

was rendered and some good was accomplished. We hope to have every Sunday School and church in the County represented at our next Convention.

We recommend that all the churches that have no Sunday School arrange for the Associational represenative to come to you, and that you assist him in organizing one, and that you send represenatives to the next Sunday School Convention.

We recommend that this association co-operate with the S. S Board and State Convention Board in the County S. S. Normal work and designate the time and place for same, and urge our pastors and S. S. forces to do all they can to make it a success.

Respectfully submitted,
H. L. Rhodes

REPORT ON HOSPITALS.

The Baptist Hospital at Jackson, Miss., opened for service in 1910 in an old wooden building with eight or ten beds. We now have a good brick building with fifty beds. The third floor of the building is unfinished, but is nearing completion, and when finished will bring the capacity up to sixty five beds. We are also going to put in an Xray department, which is badly needed.

During the year there were treated in the Hospital 1107 patients, of which 161 were charity patients. The amount of Charity work done from Aug. 1, 1920 to Aug. 1, 1921 was $5283 90. We have eighteen young ladies in the Nurse's Training School. Four graduated during the past year.

The Bapitst Memorial Hospital at Memphis has had a prosperous year. The new wing is about completed. This adds new operating rooms, an X-ray department, laboratories, dining room and kitchen. The new nurse's home lacks some $25,000 00 being finished. The work was stopped on account of poor collections on the 75 million fund. A considerable debt is being carried on the work already done.

The patronage keeps up to the full limit. Since the opening in July 1912, 45,100 patients have been admitted In the six months ending June 30, 1921, 3,836 patients were admitted, of these, 474 were treated free in the charity wards. During 1920 the charity business amounted to more than

$51,000 00. The entire operating business of the Hospital during the year amounted to $372,000. 0. The complimentary service to preachers and their dependents is about $400 00 per month.

A class of eighteen nurses graduated this year. There are about 75 pupils in training now, but the number needs to be increased to 125 to serve the full capacity of the Hospital and patronage.

Very respectfully submitted,
J. N. Franks.

REPORT ON MISSION

Southern Baptists believe in world-wide missions. For convenience they have divided this work into three departments: foreign missions, home missions and state missions. During the past year God has manifested his approval of our work by wonderfully blessing our efforts beyond our most sanguine expectations This report can glance at only a few of the marvelous results of the great work done by Southern Baptists.

A brief resume of the work on our foreign fields will show progress along all lines. Until the last two or three years all our foreign mission work had been done on nine or ten fields. New and better church houses, homes for missionaries, school buildings and hospitals have been erected, and new missionaries have been sent out. In addithion to the work done on old fields many new fields have been entered, namely, Spain, Jugo-Slavia, Hungary and Roumania, the Ukraine with the territory east of it, Russia, Syria, and Palestine, and Siberia. The territory in which we are at work has 200,000,000 black people 475,000,000, yellow people, 225,000,000 white people and 4,000,000 brown people. Thus it will be seen that Southern Baptists are doing mission work among more than 900,000,000 people on foreign fields, or more than half the people on the globe. In the new fields we are co-operating with other Baptists and with the native Baptists.

In the near East and far east much reconstructive and relief work has been done. Our relief work has been in co-operation with Northern, Canadian, British and Sweedish Baptists, Tabulating our foreign mission work in figurers we will have something like the following: Baptism 6,998; we have 611

churches; 187 are self-supporting: the total membership is 59,438; 907 Sunday schools with 41,727 pupils; 72 missionaries were sent out during the year and 405 are under appointment; 978 native workers are employed; 632 schools have 22,866 pupils; 21 physicians and 8 nurses in Europe more than $125,000 spent in relief work while more than $100,000 worth of clothing have been distributed; $140,000 have been sent to China for relief; about $2,500,000 have been spent in the work during the past year That is about double what has been spent heretofore.

Since the launching of the 75 Million Campaign the work of the Home Mission Board has been greatly accelerated. That board has about completed its million dollar loan fund, a fund to help weak churches; it has assisted over 1000 churches in their building projects; has enlarged the work in the Canal Zone; secured the best location in Havana for its mission college; the enlistment work has been increassd over 100 per cent; during the past year over 77,000 were added to the churches by the efforts of the forces of the Home Mission Board. The board has 1656 missionaries employed, and has received in the past year about $1,500,000. The mountain schools have been greatly enlarged and their usefulness considerably increased. The work of evangelism has been increased over fifty per cent.

Our own state mission work is in a most flourishing condition, and God has blessed us in this work far beyond our deserts. Dec. 31, 1920, Dr. Lawrence gave up the position as corresponding secretary of our state board, and Dr. R. B. Gunn was elected to the place. This year's work has been laid out on a basis of $129,000 but this has been exceeded. The board is assisting thirty-one churches in their building. Some of these houses were destroyed by fire and cyclones The board is helping 154 weak churches pay their pastors. The state is divide into six districts and a district missionary is employed in each district. These missionaries are doing great work in enlisting and helping churches; then they are holding many meetings and looking after weak churches. Last spring twenty-six community Bible schools were held throughout the state and many preachers and the workings of our denomination.

It is believed that great good was done by these schools. The evangelistic Campaign conducted by the forces of our state has been blessed beyond our most sanguine expectations. 9000 have already been added to the churches by baptism, and about 3,000 by letters. This breaks all records. The Baptist Record now has a circulation of 12,000 Many churches have put it in the home of every member. It is to be hoped that every church will do this in the near future. Our state board is now operating a book store from which any book published can be purchased, and all profits go into the treasury of the board. This book store should be patronized by all Baptist of the state.

At the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention last May it was decided to put on a campaign this fall for 500,000 tithers. It is hoped that every church in this association will heartily cooperate in this campaign.

Your committee recommends that the churches put forth every effort to collect the pledges to 75 Million Campaign, and that a strenuous campaign be put on for tithers in every church, that the Baptist Record be put in every Baptist home

Respectfully submitted,

Patrick S. Rogers.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

A well developed christian character is the greatest and most ennobling asset possible for man to attain in this life. Its value does not end or depreciate at the end of man's earthly existence It is in the after life, the eternal life, that its value reaches its loftiest heights and becomes immeasurable. Therefore, the relation of christian education and christian character is intimate and vital. The knowledge of God is the truest, best, and highest knowledge that man can attain, and should be the object of our utmost endeavor. The idea is expressed by Solomon when he says: "Get wisdom, and with all thy getting, get understanding." We believe that the emphasis placed upon wisdom and understanding by Solomon is likewise applicable to christian education and character, and that the wisdom obtained through christian education is the most excellent of all possessions, having the promise of this life and that which is to come.

There are two standards of education, christian and no christian The question, of where we should educate our boys and girls, should be seriously and prayerfully considered. Education is in part the development of our children, not only to know and enjoy the things of this life, but to prepare them to enjoy the blessing and glorious things of eternal life We need the education that best fits us for usefulness in this life and prepares us for the riches of the future life. This kind of instruction should begin at an early age in life The first lessons are the most lasting

Our schools and colleges should be under the leadership of thoroughly orthodox christian men and women and everything should be taught in the light of the word of God. The Bible itself should be included in the course of study. This is necessary if we undertake to instill into the hearts and lives of our boys and girls those fundamental principles of purity of life, uprightness in the sight of God and man, and a sacred reverence for truth and honesty.

To receive the blessings promised by God to his faithful servants, we must have a knowledge of the condition and responsibility resting upon us. I know of no way to obtain this kno vledge in the highest degree of perfection and correctnesss except through a process of christian education based upon a correct and unbiased interpretation of God's word.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. Carter

REPORT ON PUBLICATION.

To the Christian, the real world is that of Spiritual Interest and Activities. The agency which brings this contact is the printed page

The best means of enlarging his contact with it, is the Christian Press. A christian must read the best books, papers, and journals, and especially our denominational paper, the Baptist Record.

If we are to comprehend with all Saints, the height and depth, and length and breadth of God's grace and God's plan of work, we must have fellowship with these Saints in the common inheritance of truth. This fellowship, with the whole body of God's people, is possible only through the

medium of communication found in the religious paper.

If we are to be our brother's keeper, we must not only read what is good ourselves, but get him to do likewise.

Therefore, we recommend:

First: That all Baptist Sunday Schools use Baptist Literature.

Second. That the Baptist Record be put into the local church expense budget and send the paper to every home represented in the church.

Respectfully submitted,
C. M. Self, B. C. McGarrity, (Com.)

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

The primary meaning of temperance is moderation in regard to the indulgence of the natural appetites and passions. God wants us to be temperate in all things, so that our lives will not be filled with an excess of sin. It is true that our southland has universal prohibition as passed by the different State legislature but we need to create a more permanent sentiment against the use of intoxicating liquors.

Alcoholic liquors are poisonous, greatly increasing the liability to inroads by disease, weakening and deranging the intellect, polluting the affections, hardening the heart and corrupting the morals. Thus bequeathing to prosperity a degeneration of physical and moral character. The effect on the family is to disturb and destroy the peace, happiness and prosperity: on the community it produces vice and wickedness, and is everywhere a hindrance to the cause of the church.

Tobacco, in its various forms, has a bad effect on the physical being. It is so regarded by the best authorities in the medical profession. Its use causes a degeneracy in the morals, for it makes the user totally obiivious to the comfort and pleasure of the nonusers It is filthy in its nature, and its use should be discouraged. It is hard to enforce the law against the selling of cigarettes to minors as long as the parents smoke them. When we recognize a thing to be evil we ought to have manhood enough about us to refrain from its use.

Resolved that we do our best to live the correct and upright lives that will be worthy for our children to follow, and that

we use our influence to have our laws against these evils enforced.

Respectfully submitted,
S. M. Fant.

REPORT ON WOMANS WORK.

Last year was the greatest year in the history of the Womans Missionary Union, but this year, in spite of the fact that many speak of it as one of financial depression, surpasses it. Most valuable lessons have been taught, - and learned by some.

Personal service is being more and more understood and enjoyed. Our women are doing much valuable work in this department, and should not fail to report this work to the societies.

Thousands of dollars, thousands of trays of food, flowers, garments, etc., have been given, and much has been done to relieve suffering humanity, and to help worthy young people in preparing themselves to be worth while soldiers in the Kings coming campaigns. But, be it said to our sorsow, less than one hundred and fifty Bibles have been distributed in our State this year. Is it true that we care more for mens bodies than for their souls? We must give more attention to this feature of our work.

Mission study has grown by leaps and bounds. Never before in our history have so many women convenanted together to "show themselves approved unto God" by studying His word, His work in His fields in books prepared by His servants.

Education in stewardship has not only won many tithers, but more and more are our women realizing the stewardship of life. There is however still vast room for growth along this line. The challenge of God to a nobler consecration of life and substance comes to every society and individual. Let us make a glad response. Then shall all needs be met. With but one life to invest, where shall we place it?

There is ever a call to be loyal in individual and united prayer. Is there daily family prayer in our homes? Is there grace before meals? Are we teaching our children to put the things of God first? We need to look back beyond our own

homes at the influence of the family altar. Much of the prosperity of this nation is due to the family prayers, which were once daily held in the homes of our fathers.

Pastors, men and women, of the Choctaw County Association, give heed to what the Woman's Missionary Union means and is doing. Open the doors of opportunity and invite your Associational Superintendent to come and help you organize a Union.

Very respectfully submitted,
Mrs. H. L Rhodes, Associational Supt. of W. M. U.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

Your committee on ministerial relief begs to submit the following. We believe that the minister who has come to his day of retirement, or who, for any reason, has become disabled, is in every way worthy of our sympathy, prayers, and financial support. The same is true of their widows and orphan children. Think,' these men and women were faithful to God and His Cause, sacrificing their time, giving their lives to God:

Oh' that we, who are trying to follow those who have fought the battle of many, many, gone by days, for our Baptist Denomination, the ones we love so, God forbid, that we throw them down, because they are old and feeble in body.

God help us to think and act,

If it had not been for them, where oh where would we have been as baptist.

God help us to see to it that our churches may not forget to take a free will offering some time in each year.

The supplemental report of Mississippi shows that the retired ministers and their widows only got from our state relief fund 1201.31. This ought not so to be, it ought to be four times this amount.

Respectfully,
S. M. Fant.

REPORT ON NOMINATION

We your committee on nomination beg leave to submit the following report.

The next place of meeting, with Concord church on Thurs-

day & Friday before the first Sunday in Oct. 1922.

Delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention, Miss Sarah Whitten.

Member of the state board, G. D. Weatherall.

Associational superintendent of the W. M. U., Mrs. H. L. Rhodes.

Executive committee, G. A Eddleman, H. L. Rhodes, J. J. Carter, Curtis Bobo and W. L. Edwards.

To preach the next introductory sermon, Rev. P. S Rogers alternate Rev. J. H. D. Watson.

Respectfully,
C. B. Quinn, U. A. Adams, Com.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

We your committee of Finance received for associational purposes $50 72.

Respectfully,
G. A. Edlleman, Sam Prewitt. Com.

MOTION IN REGARD TO MINUTES AND CLERKS

That the clerk be allowed $15.00 for his service and the rest of the funds in his hands be expended for minutes, and that the minutes be distributed to the churches in proportion to the amount sent by the church.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, that we, the Choctaw County Association extend our very sincere thanks to the church and town of Ackerman for their very kind welcome shown us during our stay with them.

2. That the thanks of this Association be tendered the Officers for their courteouses in the transaction of the business that came before the body.

Respectfully,
N. A. Adams.

W. M. U. & B. Y. P. U. WORK

Ackerman church has a W. M. U. consisting of thirty six members, with Mrs. E. B. Dobbs president. It also has a Jr. B. Y. P. U consisting of thirty two members with Miss Thelma Weeks leader, and a Sr. B. Y. P. U. consisting of ten

members, Miss Pearl Halloway, president.
New Zion Church has a B. Y. P. U. with 25 members, with G. L. Keen, Weir, Miss., president.

ROLL OF DELEGATES

Ackerman,—Rev. P. S. Rogers, J. A. Montgomery, W. F. Burney, H. L. Rhodes, Mrs. H. L. Rhodes.
Bethany—
Bethlehem,—Miss Della Stacy, M.F. Bagwell, Joe Barron.
Beulah,—E. T. Black, W. M. Black, W. T. Thompson.
Blythe Creek,—W. T. Graves.
Bluff Springs,—T. J. Brown, Mrs. T. J. Brown.
Chester,—E. E. Robinson, B. C. McGarrity, Mrs. B. C. McGarrity.
Clear Springs,—W P. Orr, S. M. Fant.
Concord,—Charley Quinn, G. B. Catledge.
Crape Creek,— - - - - - -
Ebenezer,— - - - - - -
Fellowship.—D. L. Humphreys, J. H. Adams, J. Klutts.
Fentress,—J. H. Prewitt, W. D. Wells, W. P. McKnight.
French Camp,—L. Taylor, Mrs. L. Taylor, J. J. Carter, Stanley Carrett.
McCurtain Creek,—C. J. Buse, Luther Nail.
Mt. Moriah,—J. J. Rabun, E. P. Youngblood, Sam Prewitt.
Mt. Pisgah,—C. C. Bobo, Dixie Hall, B. A. Booth, J. E. Booth.
New Haven, N. A. Adams, N. W. Nail, W. F. Adams.
New Zion,—Homer Ming, Mrs. Homer Ming, J. T. Weatherall G.D. Weatherall.
Providence,—W. H. Dodd, D. S. McPherson, Allen Mills.
Pinegrove,— - - - - - -
Springhill,—J. W. Williams, D. H. Bradberry, J. T. Fondren.
Weir,—C. M. Self, G. A. Eddleman, Will Black, C. A. Franks.
Wood Springs,—C C. Peacock, Everett Collier.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Christian Eucation—P. S. Rogers.
Missions—S. M. Fant

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25 members,

omery, W. F.
. Rhodes.

Joe Barron.
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Mrs. B. C.

J. Klutts.
McKnight.
J. J. Carter,

Sam Prewitt.
Booth, J. E.

Adams.
J. T. Weath-

Allen Mills.

J. T. Fond-

Black, C. A.

CHOCTAW COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Publications - W. M. Black.
Hospitals - J. Miley Smith.
Orphanage - G. A Eddleman.
Temperance - C. C. Bobo
Sunday School and B. Y. P. U - H. L Rhodes.
Womans Work - Mrs. H. L Rhodes.
Ministerial Relief - J. H. Prewitt.
Digest of Church Letters - G. L. Keen.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

J. H. D. Watson	Weir	J. L. Smith	Chester
H. M. Whitten	Weir	W. J. Dobbs	Mathiston
J. T Carrol	Reform	P. S. Rogers	Ackerman

MEMORIAL PAGE

Miss Daisy Putman	J. M. Fair
Paul Prewitt	George Adams
W. J. Blain.	Miss Mary Gregg
Mrs. E. A. Leonard	John Bagwell
John Higgins	Mrs. Annie Ragon
Mrs. M. E. Box	Mrs. T. D. Biggers
Miss Susan E. McClain	J. M. Franklin
Mrs. Quennie Bradberry	Mrs. M. J. Long
Mrs. Beulah Robinson	Mrs. M. E. Burney
Mrs. Clemmie Cooper	Dr. T. M. Halloway

CHOCTAW COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CONSTITUTION

1. This Association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the different churches in our union, and who, upon producing their credentials, shall be entitled to seats and the officers and chairmen of standing committees.

2. The members thus chosen and convened shall be known by the name of Choctaw County Baptist Association, who shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, or infringe on any internal rights of the churches in union, but merely to be considered as an advisory council in matters respecting their internal concerns for the common benefit of all the churches; but the Association shall have the power to withdraw from any church who violates or deviates from the orthodox principles of the gospel.

3. The churches in our Association shall transmit to every annual session of the Association, written communications, specifying the names of their delegates, their number in fellowship, baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excluded restored, and deceased since last session.

4. Every church in our Association shall be entitled to representation in the following manner, viz: Each church shall be entitled to two delegates, but any church having more than 100 members, shall have an additional delegate for every 50 members or fractional part thereof over 100.

5. New churches may be admitted into our union by delegates bearing petitionary letters—if upon due examination they be found worthy, orderly and orthdox, the Moderator shall manifest their admission by giving their delegates the right hand in token of Christian fellowship.

6. The Association when convened shall be governed by a regular and proper decorum, which she is authorized to form and amend accoring to her own views. Adopted.

7. At every session of the Association a Moderator shall be elected by and from among the delegates present, whose duty it shall be to see that the rules are strictly observed, and to take the voice of the Association on all subjects legally introduced. A clerk and treasurer will also be elected, whose duty it shall be to take proper and correct minutes of the proceedings each holding his office until a regular election

8. The Association shall furnish the churches with the minutes of every session.

9. Every query sent by a particular church must be included in her letter certifying that she has tried to reconcile it but failed. In such case the Association take it under consideration, and the voice of the majority shall be considered an advisory answer, which shall be entered on the minutes.

10. The Association shall have a fund supplied by the voluntary contribution of the churches, and all moneys thus contributed shall be sent by delegates and paid over to Finance Committee If moneys have been sent off during the year, such statement should be made in the letter. A finance committee shall be appointed annually, whose duty it shall be to receive in charge the Associational fund and turn over same to treasurer and make, at every session, a fair report of their proceedings.

11. It shall be the duty of every Clerk to keep a regular file of the printed minutes of each session. Adopted

12. The Association shall not adjourn any session until they have finished all the business on hand, except in extraordinary cases Adopted.

13. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if necessary, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the session closes Adopted.

14. The Association, in all cases, shall be governed by a majority of the of the members present. Adopted.

15 Amendments to the Constitution may be made at any session of the body where two-thirds of the members present shall deem it necessary. Adopted.

RULES OF DECORUM.

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. The Moderator shall be considered as judge of order and shall have a discretional right to call to order at any time.

3. A member not satisfied with his decision, may appeal to the Association on the same day, but at no other time.

4. But one member shall speak at a time, who shall rise to his feet, and obtaining permission, shall proceed.

5. The Moderator, when addressed by a member for per-

mission to speak, shall signify the same by naming the person or otherwise.

6. No member shall be interrupted while speaking, unless he departs from the subject, or uses words of personal reflection. Every motion made and seconded shall come under consideration of the Association, unless withdrawn by him who made it.

7. Every case taken up by the Association shall be decided or withdrawn before another shall be offered.

8. When a question is taken up after allowing a sufficient time for debate, the Moderator shall take the vote and announance the decision.

9. Any member wishing to retire from the Association shall obtain permission from the Moderator.

10. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject without permission of the Association; nor more than once until every member wishing to speak shall have spoken; nor shall any proposition be made to close the subject until the debators have been carried through.

11. The appellation of brother shall be used in the Association by members in their addresses one to another.

12. The names of members shall be called as often as the Association may desire.

13. No member shall be tolerated in any practice which tends to interrupt a speaker.

14. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privileges of speaking as any other member, provided he appoints another to his seat during the time; but he shall not vote upon any question, unless the Association be equally divided.

15. Any member violating these rules shall be reproved by the Moderator at discretion—but only on the day the breach shall have been made.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS

CHURCHES	SUPT.	P. O.	No. Pupils	No. Attendance	Kind of Literature	Baptism from School
Ackerman	W. F. Burney	Ackerman	150	110	S. B.	18
Beulah	W. A. Colman	McCool	73	50	S. B.	4
Bluff Springs	D. A. Nabors	Eupora	82			7
Clear Springs	W. P. Orr	Chester	35	15	S. B.	
Ebenezer	J. W. McWhorter	Stewart	40		S. B	
Fellowship	J H. Prewitt	Weir	40		Un.	
Fentress	J J. Carter	French Camp	35	27	S. B.	
French Camp	J. E. Worreil	Weir	46	35	S. B.	1
Mt Pisgah	J. E. Booth	Mathiston	75	50	S. B.	10
New Haven	N. A. Adams	Weir				
New Zion	J T. Weatherall	Weir	40	20	S B.	2
Providence	W. L. Mills	Weir	21	16	S. B.	4
Weir	J N Franks	Weir	75	75	S. B.	4
Wood Springs	C. C. Peacock	Tomnolen	25		S. B.	
			737	398		49

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No. Attendance	Kind of Literature	Baptism from School
110S. B.	18	
50S. B.	4	
	7	
15S. B. S.		
	1	
27S. B.		
35S. B.		
50S. B.	10	
20S. B.	2	
16S. B.	4	
75S. B.	4	
S. B.		
	49	

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CHURCHES	PASTORS	CLERKS	Increase			Decrease			Total Membership	No. Bastist Record taken
			By Baptism	By Letter	By Restoration	By Letter	By Exclusion	By Death		
Ackerman	P. S. Rogers, Ackerman	Mrs. H. L Rhodes, Ackerman	18	19		8		3	183	8
Bethany	J. T. Carroll, Reform	W. Steadman, Ackerman	5	3		1			59	
Bethlehem	O. C. Cooper, Hohenlinden	P. M. Snow, Ackerman				3		2	83	
Beulah	R. A. Collier, Sturgis	W. M. Black, McCool	4	1		5		1	125	
Blythe Creek		H. P Livingston, Mathiston	3			5			121	
Bluff Springs	T. J. Smith, Mathiston	Alsie Jones, Eupora	8	1		3			107	
Chester	H. M. Whitten, Weir	M. L. Buck, Chester	8	2		4	1		102	
Clear Springs	J. L Smith, Chester	W. P. Orr, Chester	21	1		11		1	137	
Crape Creek	D Burnes, Kilmichal	C. E Erwin, Stewart	9			1		1	78	
Ebenezer	J. L. Smith, Chester	Jack Pearson, Stewart	3			1		1	35	
Fellowship	R. L Breland, Philadelphia	T. M. Jones, Mathiston	28	1	9	6		2	159	3
Fentress	H. M. Whitten, Weir	H. W. Blain, Ackerman		2					85	1
French Camp	A. P. Mu.e, Clinton	A. L. Rainwater, French Camp		3		4			85	5
McCurtains Creek		Hugh Reed, Weir							68	
Mt. Moriah	H. M. Whitten, Weir	T. H. Howard, Weir	8			2		1	147	5
Mt Pisgah	T. J. Smith, Mathiston	W. M. Bowles, Mathiston	14	2	1	8			94	2
New Haven	J. H D Watson, Weir	J. A. Champblee, Weir	4	3		1		2	224	
New Zion	H. M. Whitten, Weir	E. M. Commander, Ackerman	7			7		1	153	10
Providence	J. H D. Watson, Weir	J. W. Lollar, Weir	4	3	1	14		3	102	3
Spring Hill	T J. Smith, Mathiston	J. S. Southerland, Ackerman	12	4		5		3	167	1
Weir	H. M. Whitten, Weir	S. M. King, Weir	6	17		2	2		117	
Wood Springs	J. L Smith, Chester	W. B. Woods, Tomnolen	9	2					91	
Concord	H. M. Whitten, Weir	J. S. Rhodes, High Point	26	4		11			181	
			197	68	11	102	3	21	2603	38

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CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Visiting Minister	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	For the Poor	Minutes and Associational Work	Missions	Other Objects	Building and Repairs	75 Million Campaign	Totals	Value of Church Property
Ackerman	900 00	150 00	177 00	134 00	50 00	6 00		244 00	384 00	954 50	2999 50	6000 00
Bethany	57 45					3 00		1 75			62 20	500 00
Bethlehem	200 00	9 50				2 40	19 50				231 40	500 00
Beulah	150 00	36 00	2 00	21 60		4 50		12 00	2 35	368 25	596 70	600 00
Blythe Creek		37 70			25 00	1 50				10 00	74 20	800 00
Bluff Springs	35 00	24 00	50			1 33		8 31		5 00	74 14	500 00
Chester						2 50					2 50	700 00
Clear Springs	38 00	22 65			5 25	3 50				25 50	94 90	550 00
Concord	200 00	67 07			25 00	5 00				352 00	644 07	500 00
Crape Creek						75	2 50	4 05			7 30	300 00
Ebenezer	30 00									3 75	33 75	200 00
Fellowship	64 25	40 35				4 20					108 80	500 00
Fentress	35 00	48 00	5 00	10 00		2 00				40 00	140 00	400 00
French Camp	174 40	55 00	1 00	14 00		1 50	10 00			179 00	434 90	1250 00
McCurtains Creek						95					95	600 00
Mt. Moriah	43 00	119 50		8 00		3 00				85 00	258 50	700 00
Mt Pisgah	50 00	50 00	1 00	15 00		55					116 55	500 00
New Haven		25 00	50			1 90				15 42	42 82	1000 00
New Zion	45 75	28 03		3 68		3 00				266 50	346 96	600 00
Providence	36 75	13 25		4 25		1 27				68 75	124 27	400 00
Spring Hill	20 40	30 25	15 00			2 20	30 00	5 00			102 90	800 00
Weir	600 00	84 25	31 40	52 12		3 00				353 04	1123 81	600 00
Wood Springs				8 00		1 90		1 50		13 80	25 20	400 00
Total 28	2680 05	840 55	253 40	270 65	105 25	50 95	62 00	276 61	386 35	2740 51	7002 25	18900 00

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